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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by UNPROFOR regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 14 and 16 June 1993, there appear to have been 10 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Itinerary of these flights is attached to this note verbale.

ANNEX I

INFORMATION ON FLIGHTS IN THE AIRSPACE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA NOT AUTHORIZED BY THE UNITED NATIONS PROTECTION FORCE

(14 - 16 June 1993)

SRL	DATE	START	END	REMARKS	HEADING SPEED ALT.
603	14 June	10.03	10.08	A flight of NATO fighter aircraft reported a radar contact 30 kilometres northeast of Doboj. The fighters were directed to investigate and intercepted a single green camouflaged Gazelle helicopter. No markings were visible. The helicopter landed in a small clearing in the forest. The helicopter was not there when fighters returned 30 minutes later. This flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	West 90-120 kts 20-50 ft.
604 605 606	14 June	20.00 20.10 21.18	20.00 20.10 21.18	The UNMO team at Gunja (1 kilometre north of Brcko) visually sighted 3 helicopters tracking over and near the town of Brcko. Due to darkness, only navigation lights were visible and no identification was possible. These flights occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	West, East, South Slow, Slow, Slow Low, Low, Low
607- 608	14 June	08.20	14.40	UNPROFOR authorized a MEDEVAC flight to Banja Luka military hospital with a return flight to Knin hospital requested by Krajina Serb authorities. At departure from Knin and from Banja Luka, the aircraft was discovered to be carrying several passengers who were not injured. This violation occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs and in the Republic of Croatia.	N/A
609- 610	15 June	11.00	11.31	A flight of NATO fighters reported two radar contacts 15 kilometres southeast of Tuzla. The fighters were directed to investigate and made visual contact with two MI-8 HIP helicopters. The fighters observed both helicopters landing northeast of Zenica. These flights occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	210/240/350 100-130 kts 50-200 feet
611	16 June	08.11	13.21	AWACS and a flight of NATO fighters reported a radar contact 30 kilometres northwest of Doboj. The fighters were directed to investigate and made visual contact on a dark green Gazelle helicopter. The helicopter landed at the edge of a forest area while the fighters climbed to a higher altitude. The Gazelle became airborne once again, and both AWACS and the fighters instructed it to land. The helicopter landed and stopped its engines. It became airborne again ten minutes later. Warnings were again issued to the helicopter by the fighters. Shortly thereafter the helicopter was observed boarding passengers in both military and civilian attire. Due to operational reasons, the fighters departed the area for ten minutes. They did not immediately regain visual contact upon returning to the last known location of the helicopter. Contact was eventually re-established. The aircraft was warned and landed a fourth time 8 kilometres south of Brcko, near what appeared to be an army barracks. This flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	East Low Slow

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612	16 June	20.05	20.05	UNMOs at Gunja (1 kilometre north of Brcko) visually sighted a helicopter showing a white navigation light over and near the town of Brcko. The helicopter was initially observed flying west over the town, then it turned north towards Gunja. Once over Gunja, it turned and proceeded east eventually turning south and flying again into the No Fly Zone. This flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Unknown Unknown Unknown